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Forget His Ramrod.

There is perhaps no man who has hunted much but that has at some time left the ramrod of his gun at home, and found it out after getting several miles away from home. There is a story told of General Kellogg, of Wisconsin. There was a time when he used a muzzle-loading gun. When he got the new one he loaded a lot of shells, and early one morning he shouldered his gun and walked up above Omaha. He was going to make a whole day of it and have fun. He put his dog in the field and soon got a convoy of chickens. He killed two and marked down the balance of the flock in a piece of meadow, the nicest place in the world for nice shooting. He was excited and perpired like a butcher. After picking up the two chickens he felt in his pocket for his powder flask, when lo! it was missing. His eyes stuck out so that you could hang your hat on them and he became more excited, when glancing at the gun, he missed the ramrod. This was too much. He may have sworn. He thought of the thirty chickens in the meadow, and decided in a moment. Hastily taking his dog off, he started for Omaha, and proceeded to a livery stable, his face red with walking and impressed emotion. He told the livery man if he would take him to La Cross and back in an hour and a half, he would give him a ten dollar note for his trouble. The livery man hitched up in a moment, and then dust was soon flying on the road to La Cross. On the way he couldn't get half a dozen words out of Kellogg, and made up his mind that he must have escaped from some asylum. However, they arrived in little less than forty minutes, and stopped at Kellogg's house. The General rushed in, leaving the door wide open, his hair filled with dust, and charged into the room where he usually kept his shooting tools. The lady of the house was somewhat alarmed at his actions, and with much interest in his case, she said:

"Why, General what is the matter? what has happened?"

"Nothing, my dear," said the Gen. between his clenched teeth, as he pulled down the old game bag, looking for the lost ramrod. "Nothing, only I left the ramrod of my gun at home, and there are forty acres of chickens at Omaha, waiting for me. Please help find it."

The lady began to laugh. The General looked at her in astonishment. The idea that levity should be indulged in at such a trying moment was too much for him. He was about to go down to the cellar to see if the red hots fallen that way, when the lady said: "Why, General, with your new breech-loading, one hundred and seventy-five dollar gun, you don't need a ramrod; you load the cartridges yesterday."

The General fainted. It just then occurred to him that he had supposed all the time he had his old gun along. The re-action was so great, that he concluded not to return to Omaha, so he went out and gave the driver eleven dollars, an extra dollar if he never would mention the circumstances. These chickens may be waiting for him in that field yet.

A Good One.

A party of old soldiers were sitting together talking of their adventures during the war, and, as is generally the case, some pretty hard yarns were told. The conversation finally turned on promotions, when a tall Teuton broke loose with, "I'll tell you something about that boys. When I joined the cavalry I didn't understand much of English. We were sent up in the Valley, and at the battle of Winchester we were ordered to charge a battery. Well the Captain gave the order to charge and away we went in fine style. The Johnnies opened on us with grape and canister. Many horses tumbled over, and plenty of saddles were emptied. That didn't make any difference; we went straight ahead. Suddenly the Captain gave the order to retreat. The whole company turned and went back as fast as they could, except me. You see, I didn't understand the order, so I kept on and charged right in amongst them, and by Joe, I captured the whole battery, and brought it off safe myself. Now I tell you how it turned out. The next day the Captain was made Major, the First Lieutenant was made Captain, and—

"Well, what did they do for you?" inquired a listener.

"Why, they put me in the guard house, because I hadn't tell a lie!"

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